

Barbers are in Favor of It  
and Want an Ordinance.

## RESTORATION OF PRICES

Was Discussed at a Meeting Held  
Sunday Afternoon and It was  
Decided to Go Back to  
the Old Scale.

Sunday afternoon at Columbia hall  
there was a meeting of the boss barbers  
of the city, all of whom were present  
excepting four or five. There were  
also in attendance quite a number  
of journeyman barbers but they did not  
take a part in the meeting.

The main question discussed was  
that of closing the barber shops on  
Sunday. The committee appointed to  
visit the barbers reported that more  
than a majority of the boss barbers of  
the city were in favor of closing on  
Sunday. The report was adopted and  
the boss barbers present voted that  
a committee be appointed to present to  
the council tonight a petition asking  
that an ordinance be passed requiring  
the barber shops to close on the  
Sabbath day. The question of restor-  
ing the old prices was also brought  
up and those in attendance were in  
favor of restoring the old prices of 10  
cents for a shave, 25 cents for a hair-  
cut or shampoo, and 10 cents for a  
sea foam.

A barber who is employed in one of  
the local shops in speaking of the Sun-  
day closing said that he would like to  
have the shops all closed so that all of  
the barbers could have some time to  
themselves. He said that barbers gen-  
erally worked about 14 hours on week  
days and 17 hours on Saturday and  
then were required to work again on  
Sunday so that they had practically  
no time to themselves or to devote to  
their families.

## New Bond Issue.

Saturday evening there was filed in  
the office of the circuit clerk a mort-  
gage given by the Decatur Gas and  
Electric Co. to the Merchants' Loan  
and Trust Co. of Chicago, to secure  
the issue of bonds in the sum of \$300,  
000. The company was originally  
founded in the sum of \$400,000 and the  
new issue will retire the old. The  
bonds will bear interest at the rate of  
6 per cent and after 1910 will become  
due at the rate of \$15,000 annually,  
a revenue stamp on the mortgage  
amounted to \$14.50, the largest  
sum on any instrument ever filed  
in this county.

**A Fire Alarm.**  
Saturday evening about 6:30  
clock the entire fire department was  
called to the office of the Postal Tele-  
graph company on East William street  
to see in the millinery of Mrs. Wallace and the  
two feather dusters on fire in  
basement under the telegraph.  
The blaze was easily extin-  
guished and no damage was done.

Wire Separator is used only on  
insurance Gasoline stove. See  
also agents. 4-29-dtf

**In Business Again.**  
Prepared to negotiate all classes  
is on short notice. Money to  
horses, cattle, grain, growing  
crops, carriages, furniture,  
watches and diamonds. We  
take and loan money on real  
estate at lowest rates. Will take any  
security, so it's good. Call  
me now. Albert T. Summers  
Broker, No. 145 North Water  
—May 20-d&wlm

**Excursionists Here.**  
was an excursion to this city  
of Indianapolis Sunday and several  
of them visited the city. There was  
much for them to do and as it  
was most all day the excursionists  
had a very good time. It was  
up for Goodman's band to fill  
the engagement at Riverside park.

**Born.**  
Mr. and Mrs. William Platz  
of Orchard and Water streets  
on May 20, a son.

**Ticket Nominated.**

directory of the Decatur club  
named the following officers to  
be on May 31:  
President—Will Barnes.  
Vice President—Frank Curtis.  
Treasurer—K. H. Roby, Jr.  
Secretary—Lester Wymond.  
Directors—William Traver, J. W.  
Buck, Will Curran, L. A. Buck  
and M. F. Kanan.

**Mrs. Evans Home.**

Alice G. Evans, the librarians  
of Decatur public library, arrived  
on Saturday from Atlanta, Georgia  
where she attended the national con-  
vention of librarians. She visited  
days in Chicago before returning  
to Decatur.

**BAKING POWDER**

4 and wholesome  
NEW YORK

TWENTY-EIGHTH YEAR

DECATUR, ILLINOIS, WEDNESDAY, MAY 24, 1893.

NUMBER 45

IT IS LIVELY  
FOR LAWTON

And His Brave Men in the  
Philippine Islands.

## KILLING FIGHTS

In the March of 120 Miles  
to Malolos—400 Slain.

## NO LESS THAN 28 TOWNS

Were Captured—Filipinos Shot and  
Wounded on the Way—American  
Loss, Six Killed and Thirty-One  
Wounded—Spanish Paper Sup-  
pressed—Returning to Manila.

MANILA, May 24, 6 P. M.—Two  
companies of the 2d infantry forming  
General Lawton's rear guard, returning  
from Miguel to Balinag yesterday,  
after escorting a signal party which  
was picking up the wire laid with  
Leyte's expedition, found that insur-  
gents had reoccupied the country  
which they had been fighting followed from day  
to day until the Americans camped at  
Balinag, but the troops completed the  
work though harassed by the enemy.  
One American was killed and 14  
wounded.

Five men, instead of one, were  
drawn by a sinking raft loaded with  
sabers of the 14th regiment at Pasig  
Ferry.

Twenty insurgents were killed and  
40 wounded in the engagement with  
Major Dell's reconnoitering party,  
consisting of two companies of the 4th  
cavalry, in the vicinity of Santa  
Ana yesterday.

General Lawton, with most of his  
troops, has arrived at Malolos. His  
expedition marched 120 miles in 20  
days, had 22 fights, captured 28 towns,  
destroyed 300,000 bushels of rice and  
only lost six men killed and 31 wounded.

On the other side Lawton esti-  
mated that his troops killed 400 insur-  
gents, and wounded double that  
number.

The Oregon and Minnesota regi-  
ments are returning to Manila.

The Spanish newspaper Oceanus has  
been suppressed for publishing sedi-  
tious editorials.

The United States commissioners  
and many American officers celebrated  
Queen Victoria's birthday on board  
the British cruiser Powerful.

**Funston in the Lead.**

MANILA, May 24, 8 P. M.—General  
McArthur and General Funston,  
with the Kansas and Montana regi-  
ments and the Utah battery, today  
defeated 1,000 insurgents entrenched on  
the heights beyond San Fernando,  
near Santa Ana.

The American scouts were fired  
upon in trenches unexpectedly and  
repulsed. The firing was heard  
near Fernando and General Mac-  
Arthur assembled troops and marched  
quickly after the scouts. The Montana  
regiment flanked the trenches on the  
left and the Kansans attacked the  
enemy's right flank. Funston leading  
the charge at double quick. The  
insurgent loss is large and many pris-  
oners were captured. It is reported that  
20 Americans were wounded.

**Filipinos Dismayed.**

MANILA, May 24.—Four of the  
Filipino commissioners called upon  
General Otis, but made no official  
negotiations relative to surrender. They  
met the American commission  
later and held a four hours' confer-  
ence.

It is said that the Filipinos were  
dismayed at the terms offered in  
President McKinley's cablegram.

Gobernador Del Pilar turned red under  
his brown skin when he realized that  
he was being offered nothing but  
vague promises of possible representa-  
tion for his people in case of com-  
pliance with the American demand  
that they lay down their arms.

Every Filipino shrugged his shoul-  
ders as glowing prophecies of the  
future, after the cessation of hostilities,  
were outlined to them by the  
members of our commission.

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pendence and liberty with dignity,  
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vidual natives ought to hold official  
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The commissioners have great dread  
of the significance of future congres-  
sional legislation. They will accept  
not a single condition of those pro-  
posed, but will return dissatisfied to  
Aguinaldo, and report results.

Major Zirolita, one of the Filipino  
commissioners, said: "As the ultimate  
form of government rests in the  
hands of the American congress, the  
present proposals are merely provi-  
sional. The result of the present  
plan would be that the Americans  
would be at the head of every depart-  
ment of government, as the Filipinos  
tonsure of office would depend upon the  
will of the Americans. We think we  
can get better terms."

**Views of a Banker.**

A leading banker of Manila says:  
"The present proposals are only a  
repetition of the provisions of the  
commission's proclamation. That  
means that this is an American colony.  
You have adopted the imperialistic  
policy; then why talk over matters with  
the envoys of a hostile force,  
which must be crushed before such a  
government as is proposed can be es-  
tablished?"

The opinion of military officials here  
is that the negotiations merely en-  
courage the insurgents to hold out for  
better terms, especially since the com-  
manding American general is not con-  
sulted in the negotiations. General  
Luna is bound to continue the fight  
for independence. Negotiations which  
encourage the natives to hope to  
obtain great concessions may cost the  
lives of many American soldiers.

**Promotions.**

WASHINGTON, May 24.—The presi-  
dent has given orders to carry out the  
recommendation of General Otis and  
General Lawton, making Colonel  
Summers of the 2d Oregon brevet  
brigadier general of volunteers; also  
making Captain Casey of the engi-  
neers' battalion, major by brevet.

**The Newport.**

WASHINGTON, May 24.—General  
Otis has cabled that the transport  
Newport has arrived from San Fran-  
cisco with reinforcements, including  
two light batteries.

**In a Running Fight.**

NEW YORK, May 24.—The Herald's  
Manila special says: The 22d and 23d  
infantry, while escorting the signal  
corps which was picking up the tele-  
graph wire from San Miguel to Balinag,  
had a running fight the whole  
distance. They lost one killed and  
had one officer and 14 men wounded.

The American troops reached Balinag  
at 8 o'clock last evening.

**PRESBYTERIANS**

Send a Cable Message to

Queen Victoria.

MINNEAPOLIS, MINN., May 24.—At the opening of the Presbyterian  
Assembly this morning by a unanimous  
vote the following message was  
cabled to Queen Victoria:

"The General Assembly of the Pres-  
byterian church in America tenders its  
congratulations on the 80th anni-  
versary of your birthday and rejoices  
in the divine guidance which has  
blessed your long and prosperous  
reign."

The report on the work of the board  
of foreign missions was presented. It  
was complimentary and stimulating to  
note the interest in foreign missions.

Rev. Dr. A. J. Brown, correspond-  
ing secretary of the foreign missions  
board, then made a stirring address  
on the work of the board. A band of  
missionaries then came forward in  
turn and spoke of their respective  
field work.

A fraternal greeting was received  
from the Church South, sitting in  
assembly at Richmond.

**ALL AT WORK AGAIN.**

BUFFALO, N. Y., May 24.—The  
strikers of all classes resumed work  
on the docks today.

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# M'ARTHUR'S WAR REPORT

## Tells All About the Insurgent Attack Feb. 4th.

WASHINGTON, May 24.—The secretary of war has made public a report from General MacArthur on the operations in the Philippines. It covers the period from the evening of February 4 when the insurgent outbreak began, to February 28. He gives a vivid picture of the conditions in Manila and the suburbs following the insurgent attack. The important feature is a demonstration of the responsibility of the insurgents for the outbreak. He speaks in terms of the highest praise of the splendid qualities of the American soldiers.

## WAS OGLESBY'S COOK.

### Death of John Scott, an Old Colored Resident of Decatur and Macon.

John Scott, the father-in-law of Officer John Williamson, died last night at St. Mary's hospital. He suffered with gangrene in his foot and last Friday his leg was amputated as a last resort, but there were little hope for his recovery. The deceased was born in Beardstown, Ky., in 1829, and came to Decatur 48 years ago and has lived in this city and Macon ever since. In 1861 he was married to Maria Burrows, who died 37 years ago. During the war John Scott was employed by the late General Oglesby and followed the illustrious Illinois man through a great part of his campaign.

The body was taken from the hospital to the residence of Officer Williamson, 863 West Decatur street, from which place the funeral will be held tomorrow forenoon at 10 o'clock. The deceased was survived by three children, Mrs. John Williamson, Mrs. Carrie Kelly of Chicago and Mrs. Carrie Grashouse of Fargo, N. D.

## THE DEATH RECORD.

MRS. HENRIETTA WOOD. Mrs. Henrietta Wood, wife of James Wood, died at noon today at her family residence on West Decatur street, west of the Wabash railroad. She had been ill for some time past suffering with blood poisoning. The deceased is survived by a husband and several children. The time of the funeral will be announced later.

Ladies' Defiance, \$30; Queen, \$25. Illinois Cutlery Co.

## DR. FOSTER'S BOOK.

DENVER, May 24.—Concerning the alleged heresy on the doctrine of regeneration in the book published by Rev. Dr. Foster, the committee of the Cumberland Presbyterian General Assembly reported that Dr. Foster had decided to revise the work and make it accord with the standard of the church, as his teaching is misunderstood.

### Sprudel.

Sprudel is a slightly saline water, neutral in its reaction acts as a mild laxative, and as a pleasant beverage is unsurpassed. Sold by the Decatur Bottling Works, \$1 per doz.

Insurance gasoline stove exhibit at Scovill's. Lunch served. 23-dif.

### Wick McFarland H.

George W. McFarland, the well known representative of the Graham Paper company of St. Louis, is very ill of typhoid fever at the hospital at Quincy, where he was taken sick last Friday. Mrs. McFarland has been with him since last Saturday. The physicians do not think that he will be able to leave the hospital for four or five weeks.

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### Broken Arm.

Yancy, the son of Mr. and Mrs. T. J. Williams of East Prairie street, fell while playing last evening and broke the bone of the elbow joint of his left arm. Dr. B. L. Maienthal attended him.

Ride a Monarch and keep in front. Illinois Cutlery Co.

W. H. Starr has one of the neatest little hedges in the city in the arborvitae border which he has set around the wall of his lawn at his residence.

Don't fail to attend the supper to be given by the ladies of the First Methodist church next Saturday evening. An excellent meal will be served. 24-dif.

Pins have been made for 450 years, but needles have been used for 40 centuries.

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**Pension Applicants.**  
Edward Ray of Emery, Guy F. Schmid and George Garrison of Decatur and James Oder of Lake City were applicants before the Decatur pension board today, the first for an original and the three last for an increase of pension.

### Gas Range Sold.

The gas range which was donated to the Woman's Club Stock company by the Decatur Gas and Electric company as a prize at the Armstrong cooking school, and which was advertised for sale to the highest bidder, was bought by Mrs. Ida W. Baker, president of the Woman's club, for \$20.

### Paying Poll Tax.

Today quite a number of persons called at the office of Town Clerk Cope to pay their poll tax. The commissioners intend to collect all the poll tax and are anxious that every one pay up. The notice says that the tax must be paid at the office of William Bundy and on this account there has been some difficulty in finding the place. The office of Mr. Bundy and Mr. Cope is the same and it is located on East Main street over Davenport's shoe store.

### Brinkmann-Scheimann.

Miss Louise Scheimann and William Brinkmann were united in marriage at 2:30 o'clock this afternoon at the residence of the Priest of St. Patrick's Catholic church, Rev. Father Kelly officiating. The couple were attended by little flower girls. The ceremony was witnessed by a number of the friends and relatives of the bride and groom. Mr. Brinkmann is a fireman on the Wabash. They will reside on North Morgan street.

## MARTIN IS WEDDED

### Man Who was Tried for Highway Robbery.

### BRIDE IS MRS. LEONA CAIN

### Who Has Just Secured a Divorce from Her Husband, Frank Cain—Ceremony was Performed by Rev. Gillmore.

At the Grace Methodist church parsonage this afternoon at 1:30 o'clock Rev. W. F. Gillmore united in marriage Mallie Martin and Mrs. Leona Cain. The marriage in itself was a simple affair but it is of general interest in view of the fact that both the bride and groom have figured conspicuously in the courts recently. The marriage was witnessed by Richard Hill of Decatur and Bonna Dills of Indianapolis.

Both the bride and groom are well known characters. Martin is the son of F. M. Martin of Latham, and is the man who was arrested on a charge of attempting to hold up City Comptroller Frank Robbins. He was in jail for a long time and was indicted and tried a few days ago but was found not guilty by the jury and was released.

Mrs. Leona Cain was during this term of court granted a divorce from her husband, Frank Cain. She is a native of Mt. Zion and before her marriage to Frank Cain her name was Leona Bousman.

### English Lutheran Synod.

Dr. and Mrs. N. D. Mayers, Rev. H. W. A. Yung and Professor Sattler of Chicago left this afternoon for Vandalia to attend the meeting of the Chicago synod of the English Lutheran church. M. L. Deck and Rev. Dr. Frick of Milwaukee will go to Vandalia tomorrow. The synod will close on Sunday.

### CASTORIA.

Bear the Signature of *Castor*

### THE BAPTISTS.

SAN FRANCISCO, May 24.—Train loads of delegates from the east to the National Baptist convention, which began here this morning, arrived during the night. The meeting began at 10 a. m. when the Woman's Baptist Home Missionary society celebrated its 23d anniversary. After devotional exercises and an address of welcome, the reports of the secretaries of different committees were read.

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## GOOD FOR TOM PLATT

### He is for the Old Ticket and All in Sight.

NEW YORK, May 24.—The Evening World prints an interview with Hon. T. C. Platt strongly advocating the renomination of McKinley and Hobart. He said no land ever held by the United States must ever be relinquished.

### PERSONAL.

—B. W. Campbell of Cincinnati is in the city.

—Miss Phoebe Haag of the Linne & Scruggs store is ill.

—Miss Minnie Delker is the guest of Chicago friends.

—Mrs. C. A. Given of Evanston is the guest of Mrs. Sarah Given.

—Mrs. Edward McKinley of Forsyth is ill.

—Mrs. J. F. Greene of Clinton was the guest of Decatur friends.

—Mrs. Klink of Marca was in the city.

—Dr. A. B. Nichols has returned from a business trip to Chicago.

—W. W. Scudder of St. Louis arrived in the city last evening on a visit with relatives and friends.

—Mrs. Dr. McLean of Marca and Mrs. T. T. Overmeyer of Niantic were shopping in the city today.

—J. R. Phillips left for Clinton and Champaign in the interest of the Neisler Drug and Supply Co.

—Miss Elizabeth Matthews entertained friends at cards on Monday evening.

—Mrs. Lou Rainey and Miss Mamie Martin came home this morning from a visit in Chicago.

—Theodore Plumley of Northfield, Vt., cousin of Miss Ada Johnson, will arrive in the city next Saturday for a visit of a few weeks.

—Mrs. A. Simpson is dangerously ill with pneumonia at the home of her son-in-law, S. M. Waddell of 451 South Webster street.

—Attorneys I. A. Buckingham and J. M. Gray left at 4 o'clock this afternoon for St. Louis and will attend the Anti-Trust and Free Silver banquets tomorrow evening. They go this afternoon in order to attend the meeting of the national Democratic committee tomorrow.

### Aged Liquors.

The older whiskey the better. The reason of this is that fusil oil, which is a large part of the consistency of whiskey, is rank poison, which can only be eliminated by age. There is no known process, even to the scientific chemists, by which this oil or rather the poisonous part, can be taken from whiskey, but after five years an absolutely pure whiskey is then conceded to be freed from all poisonous matter. The Peerless saloon of this city does not serve over the bar a drink of whiskey made since 1892, that is the rye whiskey. The bourbon whiskey served is of the standard and well known brand of Waterhill & Frazier, "Spring of '90." This looks large on paper, but all whiskey drinkers of Decatur are cordially invited to inspect the cellars of "The Peerless." They are open to the public.

The supper to be served by the ladies of the First Methodist church Saturday evening, May 27, will be the best of the season.—24-dif.

### RELIGIOUS.

PHILADELPHIA, PA., May 24.—The 41st General Assembly of the United Presbyterian church of North America began its sessions here today.

Reports of boards of church extension and home missions were presented, showing a healthy condition.

### Five Recruits.

Five more recruits were accepted today by Sergeant Fulmer at the recruiting office. They were Ira Galbraith, John Cunors, Ora W. Pope, Charlie A. Thirt and Abraham Lyons. Three are for the Philippines service, one will go to Cuba and one will join Battery A, 4th artillery at Washington, D. C.

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### DREYFUS REPORT IN COURT.

PARIS, May 24.—The president of the civil section of the court of cassation has submitted to the president of the full court the findings in the revision of the Dreyfus case.

Two burner gasoline stove \$2.15. Backman Bros. & Martin Co.—24-dif.

A kind of paper is made from seaweed which is so transparent that it may be used instead of glass for windows.

There will be an election of officers in the Sorosis division of the Woman's club on Monday next.

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## FARMER'S HOME MARKET.

The American Economist: The associate editor of the London Statist, writing to that paper from Chicago, said recently:

That the farming community is exceptionally prosperous, and is likely to remain so for several years, is certain. Its good fortune since the past three years has been remarkable. All with whom I speak express astonishment at the great change which has taken place. In 1899 money in the west could not be borrowed at any price, and in the preceding years loans to farmers for short periods frequently were made at 1 per cent per month, while for fixed periods the rate was usually from 8 to 10 per cent. Now any one with security can borrow at less than 6 per cent, while loans for fixed periods secured on real estate are advertised at 4½ per cent. As an indication of the change which has occurred, I may mention that for many years a certain state lent its school funds to the authorities of the various counties at 6 per cent, and the counties made considerable profits by releasing the money to individuals at from 8 to 10 per cent. But the county authorities cannot now use the money at 6 per cent, and have decided to repay their loans. . . . By almost every mail lenders receive notices of repayment of maturing loans; sometimes even the loans are repaid in advance with interest.

We recognize and are quite ready to admit that the most remarkable prosperity which is now being enjoyed by the farmers of the country is due in part to their large crops—that is to say, if they had not had large crops they would not have had large sales and, therefore, would not have taken in so much money. At the same time we wish to call attention to the fact that large crops do not, per se, mean such remarkable prosperity as that which is pictured and accurately pictured, by this Englishman, who is studying financial and industrial conditions in this country. Large crops do not of necessity nor, as a rule, mean good prices. There have been years of large crops when it has been more profitable to burn corn for fuel than to sell it at prevailing prices, and when the farmers of the west have actually put their corn to such use.

In seeking the reason for the remarkable prosperity of the present time we must look further than the large crops. The most remarkable feature of the whole agricultural situation is that with phenomenally large crops prices have been good, high even, and have yielded large returns to the farmers both on capital invested and on labor expended.

That this has been so is due to the industrial prosperity which the whole country is enjoying. The farmers must have markets as well as crops. The home market is an inestimable degree the farmer's best market, as it is that of every other American producer. With factories closed, with laborers idle, with business dull, the demand for agricultural products is at the lowest ebb. It is true that people must eat, but there are innumerable ways in which they can economize; and the actual facts show that in times of industrial depression, such as are the inevitable result of free trade or of any approach to it, the people do economize greatly, even in regard to articles of food. Prosperity would have been an impossibility to the farmer had there not been a phenomenal industrial revival under the stimulating effects of a restored protective tariff. The farmer's large crops would have been but a source of annoyance and tantalization to him had there not been an army of consumers among industrial workers able and eager to buy those products. A protective tariff secures to American farmers the great American market for the sale of their food products just as surely as it secures it to American manufacturers for the products of their factories. The methods by which this is accomplished differ, but the result is the same. There is every reason to believe that the farmers of the west are fully alive to this fact and that neither Mr. Bryan nor any other eloquent free trader can draw them from the pathway of righteousness, which is the pathway of protection to American interests, industrial and agricultural.

Prophet Newcomer has again broken out with an opinion as to the way in the Philippines, which he characterizes as a dishonor to the flag. It is unnecessary to state he is against the government. In plain terms he is a traitor and if he had the power the government would be disgraced and rendered as impotent as he is. In a discourse Sunday evening he again displayed his infinitesimal Americanism, his utter lack of knowledge of historical facts and passing history, and his usual pathetic attempt at reasoning, and drawing logical conclusions. His course can be accounted for on no other ground than that he imagines he can attract more attention from the crowd by being a ballyhoo old "cuckoo bird" with his tail over the line, than by being an honest, everyday patriotic, square-pulling horse, who, though not making so

much stir, has contributed something toward building up the practical interests of the world.

Every free trader will be found enthusiastically favoring making trusts a campaign issue in the hope that it may prove a stepping-stone to another Wilson tariff law, and more starvation for the workingman. Every free trader believes in low wages. Every free trader believes that a working man in America should receive no more wages than one who does the same work in Europe. He knows the way to bring this about by free trade and hence he is for anything to bring it about.

Secretary of War Alger has ordered General Shafter to prepare a model camp at San Francisco for the reception of the volunteers to be returned from Manila. The yellow journals should at once send a smelling committee to that region to lay the foundation for a new assault on the secretary of war. If not that, to protect the volunteers against any plan Alger may have on foot for poisoning and killing these men after they return.

General Otis is a soldier and yields little to sentiment. It is reported that he is becoming disgusted with the visits of peace commissioners from Aguinaldo to Manila to be feasted and given every opportunity for furthering the interests of the rebellion. General Otis is reported as saying that the best way, in his judgment, is to refuse to receive any more peace agents, but proceed to whip them into surrender.

The present small bone copperhead might as well give it up. Events are succeeding each other too rapidly for the capture of his gun. The rebellion in the Philippines will soon be ended and the sovereignty of the United States will be firmly established there and old glory will point the Filipinos to a higher civilization and a better manhood.

If Prophet Newcomer had been running the world for the last 4000 years on the lines he lays down as proper there would be no civilization and he would have been born a Hottentot or some other sort of a savage.

Chairman Jones of the national Democratic committee is on deck again, after a long vacation and the country may expect to know in a few days where it is "at."

## FACTS ARE STUBBORN.

If Decatur People Are Not Convinced by Local Testimony They Differ From Other People.

Facts are stubborn: Some may be disputed, None can be disproved. A fact is always hedged about with prudence;

Has to stand the test of investigation, Or it drifts to the realm of doubt. Investigate closely the following;

The closer the scrutiny the more convincing the result.

A Decatur citizen speaks here;

Speaks from experience and conviction.

Mr. David Miller, who is employed by the Decatur Coal Co., says: "In the evening, after a hard day's work, especially if I had much stooping to do, my back felt as though a knife had been put through it. My wife saw Doan's Kidney Pills advertised and so strongly recommended that she got them at a drug store and insisted that I try them. I did so and after using one box the improvement was so marked that I got a second box. The pain in my kidneys was so thoroughly relieved that I have not been bothered with it since."

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Don't think you can cure that slight attack of Dyspepsia by dieting, or that it will cure itself. Kodol Dyspepsia Cure will cure it; it "digests what you eat" and restores the digestive organs to health. H. W. Bell, N. L. Krone, G. F. Shilling, East End Drug Store.

In Russia it is the custom of pugilists to breakfast together before a contest.

In Bad Shape.

I was in bad shape and suffered a great deal with my kidneys. I was requested to try Foley's Kidney Cure; I did so and in four days I was able to go to work again; now I am entirely well. CHARLES REEDOL, Atwater, O. H. W. Bell, N. L. Krone, W. H. Hubbard.

The Chinese believe that women who wear short hair will be transformed into men in a future world.

CHAR. R. WESSLER, 2503 Ashland St., Evanston, Ill., writes: My boy, 2½ years old, had a severe cold which refused to yield to any treatment until we tried Foley's Honey and Tar which gave immediate relief, and he was completely cured before using one bottle. G. A. ANTONIO, 250c. H. W. Bell, N. L. Krone, W. H. Hubbard.

A kind of paper is made from seaweed which is so transparent that it may be used instead of glass for windows.

A first class theatrical company, when on tour, carries between 600 and 800 tons of scenery, costumes and other property.

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In New Orleans one of the finest orchestras is composed entirely of women, who, though not making so

## HE'D BE TIDDLEYWINKED.

Peculiar Phrase Led to the Recovery of a Watch the Wicked Parrot Carried Off.

Charles E. Howard, a New York manufacturer living in Greenville, N. J., before leaving for his place of business one morning last summer, placed his watch, valuable one with a long, thin gold chain attached, on his dining-room table and requested his wife to send it to the jeweler for repair.

A parrot was in the room at the time, and after Mr. Howard's departure a servant opened its cage door and, as was her custom, gave Polly the freedom of the dining-room while she was engaged in cleaning its domicile.

Returning from a tour of the kitchen a little later, the servant was horrified to see the parrot with the watch chain twisted round its strong beak and the bird using its claws to loosen it, in such a way as to endanger the whole-neck of the timekeeper.

Polly, defiant and irritated, flew round the room a few times, knocking the watch against all manner of things, and finally escaping through an open window took refuge in a tall, thickly foliated maple overhanging the roadway.

Mrs. Howard followed and found it high up on a branch trying desperately to disentangle itself of the glittering chain, which by this time had managed to get round one of its legs.

Mrs. Howard turned back to the house in search of some one who could climb trees, but when she returned the bird was gone. So was the watch, and husband and wife mourned their loss until in the fullness of time Polly had almost faded from their memory.

One evening towards the end of October, however, what was Mrs. Howard's surprise and pleasure to find the parrot, thin and dilapidated, fluttering against the window for admission. It was taken in and fed and cuddled, and when Mr. Howard came home he also was delighted at the wanderer's return.

"Poor Polly," he said, "bad Polly, you're welcome back, but where, O, where is my watch?"

Polly for reply threw its head on one side and closing the right eye in the cute and clever manner peculiar to its genus, cried out: "Well, may I be tiddlewinked?"

"Why?" said the astonished Mrs. Howard, "that's a new accomplishment; where on earth did the bird pick it up?"

One day about the middle of last March Mr. Howard was going to Philadelphia, and leaving the car in a Pennsylvania village to send a telegram to his partner concerning a matter that had just occurred to him, he was left behind.

Near the village grocery—which was also the village post office—he saw the grocer and the postmaster playing checkers in the veranda of their common place of business.

"Well," said the vanquished grocer rising, "if that's not a run of poor luck may I be tiddlewinked."

The words startled Mr. Howard, and he examined the speaker attentively. He was a man of benevolent cast of countenance, and what was far more interesting, he wore a lady's gold watch chain with a small cornelian pendant.

"Pardon my rudeness," said the practical Jersey man, advancing and saluting the grocer, "but isn't that the number of your watch 67,305?"

"May I be tiddlewinked if it isn't," replied the astonished grocer, "and perchance, well, you'll next be asking me about a parrot, probably?"

"Exactly," replied Mr. Howard, and as he told his story the grocer employed himself rolling watch chain, cornelian and all into a bunch with the view of handing them to their rightful owner.

"Well," exclaimed Johnson, "I'll be tiddlewinked, but how did you know?"

"O, by that peculiar phrase you have just used. I thank you sincerely on my wife's part and my own, and if you ever come to Greenville—"

"I shall certainly call on you," said the grocer, "but I'll be hanged if I ever say tiddlewinked any more."—Boston Globe.

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Ladies' 30c silk mitts at 25c. Ladies' 30c silk mitts at 35c. 3000 5c beauty pats at 1c each. 50 bolts of crash toweling at 25c. 25c waist shades at 35c.

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In our Broken Size Department we have Ladies' high grade of Oxfords, sizes 2½ to 4—regular price, \$1.50 to \$3. Sale price.....50c and 75c

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nburg was confus-  
not under  
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to be the sweetest  
conceive there can be  
our first parents  
with their heaven  
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of their language  
from Eden. The  
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and believes that in his  
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old prefer to locate my  
United States," he said  
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an island in the east  
would be the safer  
because it would en-  
against the sound of  
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give them an inkling  
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flowers, so that they will  
purity of enjoying and  
and history. This in itself  
a good foundation for  
which shall be of their  
it were.and 25 deaf mutes who are  
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good, healthy babies  
one and two years;  
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as there are many  
others who will be glad  
the infants to my care  
I can assure them a  
their health and happy-  
first consideration, and  
for their welfare  
endeavors.I placed at my disposal  
every possible ex-  
od of 15 years. There  
an attendant who  
will be the only  
child arrive at an age  
able to care for them;  
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spending time wholly  
in this way that I hope  
to a new language  
to the original. I shall  
and note the  
communicate with  
designate their wants  
the objects and the bird  
which surrounds them;  
if the plan of a scientist  
a little distinction,  
the best years of his life to  
Cincinnati Eu-Then he noticed that it would never  
come out from the wall unless the tick-  
ing was going on, and it would dive into  
its hole like a shot if the instrument  
happened to stop for a moment. When  
was quiet behind the desk the rat  
seldom showed himself, but let there  
be a lot of business to send off and it  
would be certain to stick its head out of  
some hole in the wall. It seemed to be  
fascinated as some animals are by fire  
or a man by a snake.

One night the sergeant had been out  
of the room and, hearing the instru-  
ment begin to rattle, he returned to  
take care of it. There he found that  
standing close up to it in a sort of  
faze, just as though it was listening to  
the most ravishing music. It would  
scarcely move a muscle, and appeared  
to be entirely off its guard, and might  
have been captured by a person or a  
dog without knowing anything about  
it till the charm was broken.

The sergeant stood still till the instru-  
ment stopped and then he saw the  
rat put its paws on the key and try to  
set it going again. He declares that it  
managed to send a call to one of the  
other stations so nearly correct that the  
operator there answered it. It was still  
jumping up and down on the key when  
the precinct captain came in and  
brightened it away. Since that time a  
chance has not been given to it to go on  
with its examination of the instrument;  
but no sooner does it begin to tick than  
the rat can be seen somewhere about  
the room listening and coming as near  
the desk as it dares.—Buffalo Express.

**Know What to Expect.**  
Von Elmer—I am afraid we haven't  
much for dinner, but such as it is—

Clicker—Don't make any excuses, old  
man. Remember that I have dined at  
your house before.—Detroit Free Press.

I have been a sufferer from chronic  
diarrheas ever since the war and have  
used all kinds of medicines for it. At  
last I found one remedy that has been  
a success as a cure, and that is Cham-  
berlain's Colic, Choicra and Diarrhea  
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A Number of Wedding Tours That  
Were Original, to Say  
the Least.

A short while since an adventurous  
couple spent their first days of wedded  
life on the summit of Mont Blanc. The  
ascent, extremely hazardous by reason  
of terrific snowstorms, being successfully  
accomplished, the bridegroom, in the  
presence of the guides, embraced his  
young wife, to whom he swore  
eternal fidelity, and received from her  
an equally fervent assurance.

In the neighborhood of Dobschau, a  
small Hungarian town, there is an ex-  
traordinary ice cave. In this cave,  
some 15 years ago, a couple named  
Kolesky elected to pass the week immediately  
following their marriage. They  
took with them a plentiful supply of  
rugs, blankets and warm clothing, but  
notwithstanding all precautions their  
experience was not of a sufficiently  
pleasant nature to tempt imitators.

A walking tour may make an endur-  
ing honeymoon, but to convert the lat-  
ter into a walking match seems sadly  
incongruous with the rites of Hymen.  
Such, however, was not the opinion of  
one James Muir and his young bride,  
who were united in wedlock last au-  
tumn. While courting they had taken  
many a long walk together, during  
which a contention had arisen respecting  
their pedestrian ability. So high  
did this bickering run that they re-  
solved, as soon as they were married, to  
put their respective claims to the test  
by walking from London to Exeter, the  
bride being allowed to go by train to  
Basingstoke, a distance of 47 1/2 miles.  
No sooner had the knot been tied than  
the newly-married wife took a cab to  
the station, while the husband started  
off westward at a good pace. In the re-  
sult the latter was ungallant enough to  
win by over two miles, though the lady  
kept the lead until Honiton, 16 1/2 miles from  
the goal, was passed.

A month since a young couple from  
Birmingham came to London on a  
three days' honeymoon. Alighting at  
Euston, they strolled down the Marylebone  
road until they sighted the build-  
ing that contains Mme. Tussaud's  
famed collection. They entered, and so  
enthusiastic were they by the wonders  
they beheld that they remained until  
closing time. Next day they were the  
first to enter the building and the last  
to leave; and so also on the two suc-  
ceeding ones. Then perchance they had  
to return home, highly delighted with  
their London wedding trip.

The writer knows one couple who  
spent their entire wedding day in jour-  
neying round and round the inner cir-  
cle of the underground railway—a novel  
experience that pleased them greatly;  
and of a pair who, in the days of the old  
Polytechnic, forewore the wedding  
breakfast, and affronted all their  
friends by going direct from the church  
to that resort of scientific entertain-  
ment, there to indulge in unlimited diving-  
bell descents. Only two years ago,  
also, a young man named Marr and his  
bride spent their wedding day on the  
Earl's court wheel.

Perhaps, however, the most strange  
and gruesome idea of a honeymoon on  
record was that conceived by a well-to-  
do tradesman of Marseilles, named  
Dever, who, in the autumn of 1850, on  
his wedding day, traveled to Paris with  
his young wife to show her the execu-  
tion of the miscreant Menesclou.—Detroit  
Free Press.

**A TELEGRAPH RAT.**

Pretty Tail Story of a Stuffed Rodent  
Fascinated by the Tick of the  
Clock.

There is an East Side rat which ought  
to be sent to a scientific school. It used  
to be an ordinary gutter rat and was  
not by any means a dainty creature  
when it took to police station life. But  
no sooner had it taken up its quarters  
in Seneck street police station than it  
licked up and began to learn tele-  
graphy. Kinney, desk sergeant, was not  
pleased when he first noticed the rat  
was fascinated by the tick of the  
instrument, and was about to fling a shot  
at it when he saw it stealing up toward  
him.

Then he noticed that it would never  
come out from the wall unless the tick-  
ing was going on, and it would dive into  
its hole like a shot if the instrument  
happened to stop for a moment. When  
was quiet behind the desk the rat  
seldom showed himself, but let there  
be a lot of business to send off and it  
would be certain to stick its head out of  
some hole in the wall. It seemed to be  
fascinated as some animals are by fire  
or a man by a snake.

One night the sergeant had been out  
of the room and, hearing the instru-  
ment begin to rattle, he returned to  
take care of it. There he found that  
standing close up to it in a sort of  
faze, just as though it was listening to  
the most ravishing music. It would  
scarcely move a muscle, and appeared  
to be entirely off its guard, and might  
have been captured by a person or a  
dog without knowing anything about  
it till the charm was broken.

The sergeant stood still till the instru-  
ment stopped and then he saw the  
rat put its paws on the key and try to  
set it going again. He declares that it  
managed to send a call to one of the  
other stations so nearly correct that the  
operator there answered it. It was still  
jumping up and down on the key when  
the precinct captain came in and  
brightened it away. Since that time a  
chance has not been given to it to go on  
with its examination of the instrument;  
but no sooner does it begin to tick than  
the rat can be seen somewhere about  
the room listening and coming as near  
the desk as it dares.—Buffalo Express.

**FISH IN HOT WATER.**

If We May Believe This Account They  
Enjoy It and Seem to Grow  
Fat in It.

A fish is naturally a cold-blooded ani-  
mal, but if you take a fish and keep him  
in slightly tepid water for a month or  
so he will soon get used to it, and be  
perfectly healthy, says Public Opinion.  
Then, if you like, you can increase the  
water's temperature. The fish will not  
pay any attention to the change if it  
is made gradually, and will eat a good  
deal more than in quite cold water. In-  
crease the heat still more and he will  
develop a strong appetite and his skin  
will keep clean and glossy.

You may go on with this treatment  
for any length of time, always slightly  
adding to the heat of the water, and  
giving the fish more and more to eat  
until the water is as hot as your hand  
can bear. If you then put the fish in a  
radiated aquarium—that is, an aquari-  
um with heat playing on a part of it, so  
that one-half of the water is colder than  
the other—the fish will keep to the hot  
part and bask in it. It is said that a  
fish will even live a little while without  
outward discomfort in water not a  
great deal below the boiling point. A  
fish certainly seems to derive benefit  
from living in hot water, and is better  
eating after such a life when it is dead.

**Russian Villages Without Schools.**  
There are over 10,000 villages in Rus-  
sia where no school exists.

In New York a blacksmith's shop is  
managed by three young women.

About \$100,000,000 is invested in the  
candy business in the United States.

In Russia it is the custom of  
pagans to breakfast together before  
a contest.

The Chinese believe that women  
who wear short hair will be trans-  
formed into men in a future world.

MAINE CHEWING TOBACCO.

Farmers Flavoring It with Maple  
Syrup Just as Their Grand-  
fathers Did.

Since the price of plug tobacco went  
up, a good many farmers in Maine  
have been making their own chewing  
tobacco, just as their grandfathers did.  
Tobacco seed is bought in Virginia or  
Kentucky, and planted in hot beds or  
boxes early in the spring. After danger  
from frost has passed, the seedlings are  
transplanted in rich ground and allowed  
to grow until they are 12 inches high.  
The stalks are cut off near the ground  
on a dry day, and the whole plant, with  
leaves attached, is hung in a loft to cure.  
In May the dry leaves are stripped off,  
and when the ribs are taken out the mass  
is wetted with a sweetened water containing  
a infusion of licorice root. As soon as the  
flow of maple sap diminishes, the spigots  
are taken from the trees and the auger holes  
are crowded full of the prepared tobacco  
leaves. A tapering pine plug is then  
driven into the hole on top of the tobacco,  
and saved off flush with the tree.

In midsummer, when the maple sap  
has had time to permeate the mass and the  
leaves have turned to a dark brown, the  
tobacco is cut into 12-inch lengths and  
placed in barrels. The barrels are then  
laid on their sides and the top is closed  
with a tight-fitting lid. The barrels are  
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## AFRICAN HORSES.

Their Remarkable Strength, Endurance and Power of Getting over the Ground.

One of the very first things that strike the wanderer in the great expanses of the southern hemisphere is the strength and endurance of the horse. Though to look at they are the sorriest scraggs I ever set eyes on, yet they appear to be possessed of a power of getting over the ground that is little short of miraculous, and so astonishing in its persistence as to seem automatic. A very striking instance came under my notice only a few days after landing in Cape Town in 1863. I was sitting one Saturday afternoon on the stoop of Park's hotel, which occupied the corner of Adderley and Strand streets, when a dust-covered horseman stopped and dismounted. His horse was taken to the stables, and in the course of conversation in the bar I learned that he was a member of a legislative assembly for an up-country district. There was no railway communication with the interior in those days, and he had ridden in from his home at Colesburg in less than six days, having started the previous Monday.

Now Colesburg is more than 500 miles from Cape Town, and the country is very rough going, much of it being heavy sand and other parts very mountainous. No English-bred horse, fed according to English methods, could have accomplished such a ride as this, more especially when we consider the temperature of the Cape Colony. I went to look at the animal on which the journey had been performed, and found it to be a little roan schimmel barely 14 hands, and apparently as fresh as paint. Another very remarkable ride that same under my notice was performed by a Boer who lived a few miles from Graytown, in Natal. His wife was taken ill, and a particular medicine, not to be obtained in Graytown, was imperative. So in the early hours of the night he started for Maritzberg, 55 miles distant, through an extremely hilly country, and was back on his farm in 16 hours. The remarkable thing in this ride was that this Boer weighed over 17 stone.

In my own experience many instances of the wonderful staying powers of African horses have occurred. To mention one, in 1866, I had been appointed honorable secretary for the first athletic sports held in the Umiboti county of Natal. They were to be held in Graytown on boxing day, which fell on a Monday. All preparations, entries, etc., were concluded early in December, when I received an urgent request to go to the Transvaal to look after a friend who was lying very ill in his wagon, with no attendants but a couple of raw kaffirs. I rode as hard as I could, and found him among the keeps of the Drakensberg, between Lydenberg and Wakkerstroom, very bad with fever, which he had contracted somewhere in the low country to the northwest. I tended him for some days until he was clearly out of danger, and then suddenly remembered that I had to be in Graytown on Monday morning. I was then sitting on the wagon-box drinking my morning coffee at six o'clock Saturday morning. Graytown was 220 miles away, but I was at my post there at ten a.m., and in addition took a second prize both in running and jumping competitions.—African Life.

## INDIAN NAMES PASSING.

Meaning of Some of the Musical Alliterations of the Aborigines.

Poor Lo! he has all but passed away, Tepe City, Squaw Valley and Sachem's Head show that he was once among us, as do also Indianapolis and Indianapolis, Indian bay and Indian bayou, Indian bottom, camp and creek; Indian diggings, falls, gape, gulch and head; Indian mound, neck, ridge and river; Indian rock, run, springs and town; Indian trail and Indian valley. He has left behind him his Kiunikiunick that he used to smoke, his Moccasin that he used to wear, Medicine Lodge that he used to visit, and the Wampum for which he bartered his pony or his beaver skins. He has left behind him also the Indian names of many familiar objects, though the memory of these meanings have all but been forgotten. Mandanik means corn; Wawa, wild goose; Speechee, the robin; Dehindu the frog; Roanoke, a seashell; Chicago, the wild onion; Omeeme, a pigeon, and Wawbeek, a rock.

The Indian has left behind him hundreds of musical alliterative names, in which the consonant or vowel sounds are doubled. Good examples are Wawaka, Wawasee, Kankakee and Kennekuk, Tuscaloosa and Tallahassee, Ocklocknee, Ochopee and Oshkosh, Minnetonka and Massabesic, Contocook, Loo-goot and Hatcheechubee. We like to roll his Kennebunk and Cuttyhunk, his Nantucket and Wachusett, his Kickee-poo and Tetonka over our tongues, for the mountain breezes and breath of the prairie are in them, and ill indeed could we spare them.—Self Culture.

## Rival to the Rothschilds.

Alfred Beit, the man of millions, the rival of Rothschild and the greatest financial part in England, is not much more than 40. He was born in Hamburg, where his family has been settled for many years. A good university education was followed by long apprenticeship to a banking-house, where, it is interesting to notice, no great expectations were formed as to the business capabilities of the future financier. Mr. Beit has keenly artistic tastes, is something of a musician, has an eye for an old master and knows a good deal about Louis Seize furniture.—Chicago Chronicle.

## The Only Time.

Ethel—Did you ever win a race in your life, Reggy?

Reggy—Aw, yewse; I made a mistake now and bet on the wrong hawse, ye know.—Judge.

## An Obstinate Sore Cured.

Jas. G. AMBROSE, Della, O., writes: I had an obstinate sore on my face which everything else failed to heal; after one application of Bauer Salve it began to heal and after three applications it was entirely healed, leaving no scar. H. W. Bell, N. L. Krone, W. H. Hubbard.

The term "filthy lucre" originated in Scotland and referred in the first place to the well-worn £1 notes of that country.

## THE NEW PARASOL.

It Comes in Odd Combinations and Exquisite Colorings—How to Make the Cover.

It has come to a pass that you buy your parasol cover as you purchase a new dress for yourself. If you want your parasol to go out on a cloudy day you get a dark wash silk cover for it. If it is to do all its traveling at the seashore on a sunny day, you provide it with a tussoule of many colors.

You can get a white chiffon cover for your parasol trimmed around the ferule with a ruffle, which is gathered with baby ribbon. Another ruffle will trim the top or outer rim of the parasol. You can also buy a dotted muslin cover trimmed with lace ruffles, the ruffles falling one over the other until the parasol is all covered. You can buy silk covers of every color to match your different gowns, and its cover will have its ruffles of chiffon and lace.

If you inquire the price of these parasols you may find the figure rather large. They are not cheap by any means, but the redeeming feature is that you can make one at home, and thus you can have a very nice parasol for a very small sum. The shops are selling now at very low figures—when workmanship is counted.

But in making your own parasol cover take the advice of a Fifth avenue maker, who gets up these covers by the half dozen for her Newport patrons.

"Choose the thinnest material; this is very good. Get it the right width. This can be ascertained by measuring your parasol. Open it and stretch a tape measure from the middle to the outside edge, or from the end of the ferule to one of the tips; add three inches. Select goods that width.

"Cut off a piece at least two yards long; better three. Sometimes, if I am handling chiffon, I use four yards. Sew it together until it is an endless piece.

"Now gather it around the top, using white baby ribbon. Leave a ruffle. Gather it also around the outside edge, using baby ribbon for this purpose.

"Now dress your parasol. Slip the cover over the parasol and tie it with baby ribbon tightly around the ferule.

"Dispose the gathers evenly around the edge and tie the baby ribbon in a tiny bow.

"Next take several tiny pieces of baby ribbon and run through the chiffon. Tie around the ends of the ribs invisibly.

"When you have made a deep ruffle of lace or chiffon sew it upon the outside rim of the parasol in such a way that it will fall over the face when it is carrying it. Many covers are made, but all the successful ones are upon this pattern."

It is to be decidedly a parasol summer, the parasol being carried as an ornament like a fan, even when not in use. With this the case it becomes a matter of taste to match the parasol to the suit, or at least to the bodice.

Some of them are absolutely bewitching in their variety of trimming.

The parasols are bewildering in prints, ruffles, lace, applique and artificial flounces, but white seems to be the prevailing color. You can match your dresses by adding flounces to correspond in color, but the chiffon parasol must be white.

A dainty parasol was made half way of pompadour silk; white with festoons of pink roses. The rest of the parasol was covered with smoothly drawn mouseline appliqued with white lace and edged with a tiny ruching of mouseline. The wire frame inside was covered with tiny ruffles of pink chiffon, forming a most becoming background. Another in the same style was half covered with puffs of white chiffon above the mouseline, embroidered in silver sequins.

Handles are of light natural wood sometimes, but more often of mother-of-pearl, carved ivory or Dresden china mounted in silver. Long, flat handles are used almost exclusively.

Many parasols are trimmed on the inside instead of the outside, but the inside trimmings prevent the closing of the parasol except in a bungling way. They are used for the afternoon promenade. Chiffon ruffles and soft roses are best adapted to the inside trimming.—Philadelphia Press.

## Naples Chops.

Take as many nice loin chops as you require for the dish and trim away nearly all the fat. Fry these lightly in a hot, dry pan, set in a stewpan and dredge thickly with brown flour. Cut in slices two or three large onions, season with black pepper and fry till a golden brown. Scatter the onions over the chops, and into the pan pour enough hot stock to cover the surface. Have a pint of chestnuts boiled, peeled and added. Place a cover on the stewpan and cook the contents slowly for two hours. The onions and chestnuts will be cooked by steam and their flavor will penetrate the chops. To serve take up the chestnuts and onions, pile in the center of a hot dish, arrange the chops around, strain the gravy, thicken and pour slowly over the chops. Scatter chopped parsley over the chestnuts and serve.—Boston Globe.

## Sunday Cakes.

Sift three half pints of flour with two teaspoons baking powder, add half a tablespoonful butter, half a teaspoonful salt; rub the butter fine in the flour, mix the yolk of two eggs with half a pint of water, add them to the flour and mix all into a smooth thick batter and drop it by portions out with a tablespoon into hot fat; fry to a nice, light brown color and till done. Serve with molasses or maple syrup.—Brooklyn Eagle.

## Royal Custard.

Beat one egg till light, add half a pint of cold soup stock; season to taste, pour into a small square greased pan; in a greased paper over the top and pencil in boiling water set on the back of the stove. Let this get cold before cutting into squares.—Housekeeper.

Some of the results of neglected dyspeptic conditions of the stomach are cancer, consumption, heart disease and epilepsy. Kodoi Dyspepsia Cure prevents all this by effecting a quick cure in all cases of dyspepsia. H. W. Bell, N. L. Krone, C. F. Shilling, East End Drug Store.

Love of money is the root of all evil—and of much good.

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## SCHOOL AND CHURCH.

The Salvation Army in the United States raised \$30,000 during its recent week of self-denial.

Wellesley's new president has, among her other accomplishments, the power to produce graceful and effective verse.

Female school-teachers in Kono, Pa., are required to sign a pledge that during their term of service they will not accept lover-like attentions from young men.

The Universalist church is moving to raise a fund of \$200,000 to signalize the coming in of the new century. The fund will be applied to church extension.

The Presbytery of Boston has refused to make total abstinence from tobacco a condition precedent of ordination in the case of the young licensees under its care and of the elders-elect.

The first Christian Endeavor society among the Indians in New York state was recently formed among the Onondagas. Two teachers in the state school were the organizers. It is four miles from the Syracuse car lines.

Three hundred Harvard students listened for an hour the other evening, with eager attention, as a professor read, without comment, portions of the English Bible. The old book is still the most fascinating volume extant. Would that all college students, as well as the public generally, realized the truth.

While Dr. Taylor was considering his call to Brown university, a student there telegraphed his Vassar "cousin" thus: "The Taylor makes the man. We have a thousand men." After the announcement of the president's decision the Vassar girl responded: "Wear your old clothes. We keep the Taylor." Who says that the modern college girl isn't equal to every occasion?

SCOTCH HIGHLANDS MILLS.

The Project to use Waterfalls to Generate Electrical Power in That Country.

Waterfalls are being used more and more to produce electrical power. Switzerland has no coal with which to make steam to run her industries, and so her waterfalls have been the driving force. They are now beginning to be used still more effectively to produce electricity as a motive power. The rapids and falls of the upper Rhine are now generating electricity which is used in the mills of that region. A large enterprise is also on foot for the production of electricity in the Scottish Highlands by means of water power. It may not be so very long before the prediction of Lord Kelvin that "the production of electricity by means of waterfalls will some day attract a prosperous population to the Scottish Highlands" will come true.

The British parliament has before it the project to obtain electrical power, equal to 25,000 horse power, by means of the chain of lochs along the border of Perth and Argyll counties to the west of the Grampian mountains. The most important of these lochs is Erich, which has a length of about 17 miles, its waters discharging into Loch Rannoch and then into the Tay. It is proposed to build a large dam at the extreme south of the loch, turning it into a great reservoir, and then to pass the accumulated waters far below in the valley through an aqueduct to the electric plant, where the water power will be used to generate electricity enough to drive many large mills. It is proposed to follow the same course with all the lochs between the Grampians and Loch Leven. Thus a series of reservoirs, at high elevation, will be supplied, and the fall of water to lower levels through the aqueducts will feed the stations producing the electricity. The fall of water in some cases will be 900 feet, and that at Loch Erich alone is expected to produce electricity amounting to 14,000 horse power.

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## A GREAT JOKER.

Many Amusing Situations Have Been concocted in Baron Natili's Brain.

The prince of practical jokers is Baron Randolph Natili. He is a connoisseur of things artistic, loves a joke almost as well as a dinner, has remarkable powers of mimicry and a memory for everything he hears that is a delight and an astonishment to all who know him. He has on a number of occasions been the traveling companion of C. P. Huntington, A. C. Hutchison, of New Orleans, and other well-known wealthy men.

Natili is a Frenchman by birth. Before moving to New York he lived for number of years in New Orleans, and is still told in club circles of the latter city how he wagered that he would walk along Canal street in broad daylight, attired simply in his pajamas. And one afternoon he won his bet by walking half a mile through the crowd in his unconventional costume and reaching his club with a hooting and jeering mob at his heels, but without being molested by a policeman.

But another of his practical jokes in that city is still more famous. A great operatic performance was to be given, at one of the principal theaters, and, almost at the last minute, Natili secured a box. The papers made much of the announcement that he would be accompanied by a diplomatic representative of the Chinese emperor, who was on his way to Havana to make a study of and report upon the condition of Chinese merchants and laborers in Cuba.

All of New Orleans' upper tandem was at the opera that night. Natili and the Chinese dignitary, the latter attired in the most gorgeous robes of state, were given a small ovation between the acts in the foyer and in the reception-rooms.

Between the third and fourth acts there was an unusually long wait, and the manager of the company told Natili that the singers would like to be introduced to his excellency from China if he cared to visit behind the scenes, and so back they all went with a procession of gilded youths trailing behind them.

Quite a reception was held on the stage while the curtain was down. One by one the singers were led to the chair occupied by the distinguished celestial and were presented with fitting ceremony, and after a few unintelligible words each would join the circle of swell young men lounging near.

Quick as a flash Natili saw his opportunity. Without a word to anyone he pressed the button which sent the curtain up and gave the audience an unexpected tableau. Grouped about the stage were chorus girls and society pets, the celestial was gallantly kissing the soprano's hand and Natili—was out of sight behind the scenes.

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Made for That Purpose.

"The stars are peeping," says a poet. Well, that's what the peephole in the drop curtain is for.—Chicago Daily News.

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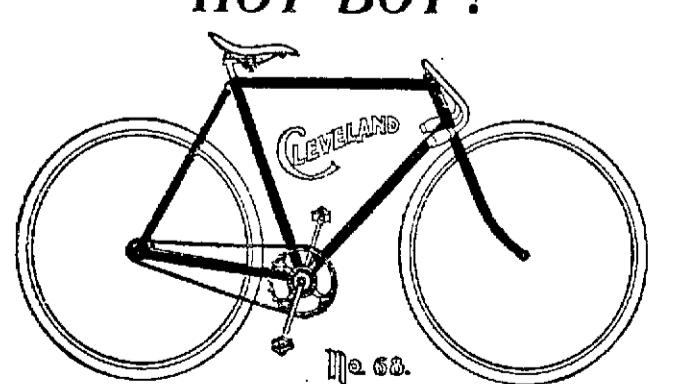
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### Cleveland No. 68 Racer.

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This is the finest finished bicycle made. We want you to try one.

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DRUG  
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## LOCAL NEWS.

Smoke the Little J., 5-cent cigar, made by Jacob Keck.

Prayer meetings tonight.

Go to Henry's bakery for all kinds of bread, cakes, pies, etc. June 22-drf

Fine canaries at Glasser's, 148 East Prairie.

Defiance Bicycles, \$30; King, \$25. Illinois Cutlery Co.

The lecture on Christian Science at the opera house next Sunday afternoon at 3:30 by Edward A. Kimball is free to all.

The C. B. Prescott music house is the place to visit when in quest of the best pianos to be had in the city. The Chickering and Packard instruments are the leaders.

W. H. Spence, painting, paper hanging, kalsomining, etc. New phone, 6627, residence 615.—5-drf

Do not fail to hear the lecture on Christian Science at the opera house Sunday at 3:30 by Edward A. Kimball, C. S. D. Admission free.

Smoke the Little J. Guaranteed to contain no artificial flavor.—1-drf

Thomas Peiwell of the Illinois Central offices, left last night for Buffalo, where he will join the Lehigh Valley company and as their guest will be taken over the lines of the company. He will visit New York, Philadelphia and other eastern cities.

Official Maps of the City for sale by W. E. Colladay, City Engineer's office or L. Chodat's News House. May 5-drf

Arthur, the little son of William Neidermeyer, was bitten by Bert Williams' dog. He was playing with other children at the home of B. B. Rich when the dog jumped on him and caught his lower lip in its fangs. Dr. H. M. Wood gave the necessary medical attention. The matter was reported to the police.

Cooper Special Racers \$50. Illinois Cutlery Co.

## In Business Again.

I am prepared to negotiate all classes of loans on short notice. Money to loan on horses, cattle, grain, growing crops, buggies, carriages, furniture, pianos, watches and diamonds. We buy notes and loan money on real estate at lowest rates. Will take any kind of security, so it's good. Call and see me. Albert T. Summers, Loan Broker, No. 145 North Water Street—may 20-d&wln.

## Brown is Home.

Richard Brown, son of Joseph Brown of this city, is home from Cuba, where he went with the 9th Illinois regiment. The regiment has been in Cuba ever since last fall.

## A Clever Trick.

It certainly looks like it, but there is really no trick about it. Anybody can try it who has Lame Back and Weak Kidneys, Malaria or nervous troubles. We mean he can cure himself right away by taking Electric Bitters. This medicine tones up the whole system, acts as a stimulant to the Liver and Kidneys, it is a blood purifier and nerve tonic. It cures Constipation, Headache, Fainting Spells, Sleeplessness and Melancholy. It is purely vegetable, a mild laxative, and restores the system to its normal vigor. Try Electric Bitters and be convinced that they are a miracle worker. Every bottle guaranteed. Only \$1. a bottle at J. E. King's and C. F. Shilling's Drug Store.

## Chodat's

Little Dutch cigars are excellent for 10 cents.

## Administrator Appointed.

In the county court yesterday afternoon W. Steinbach was appointed administrator of the estate of the late Charles Schulbach. The estate is valued at \$300.

## Fire Bugs! \$200 Reward!

The undersigned association of premium payers are maintaining a fund out of which is offered a reward of \$200 for the arrest and conviction of any incendiary in any of the associated towns. The numerous fires in the country at large and the resulting fire sales of damaged merchandise are a heavy burden on the property and business interests of the state. Property Owners' Fire Association, Rock Island, Ill.—may 3-d&wln.

## Kirschner Home.

Howard Muthersbaugh has returned from Newburg, N. Y., where he went to get John B. Kirschner of this city, who went crazy while on his way to New York, from which place he expected to sail for Europe. Muthersbaugh got the man back all right and he was taken to his home. The man is not dangerous and will not be sent to an asylum, but instead his family will care for him.

This is the finest finished bicycle made. We want you to try one.

## GRAN-O BRINGS RELIEF

to the coffee drinker. Coffee drinking is a habit that is universally indulged in and almost as universally injurious. Have you tried Gran-O? It tastes like coffee but the effects are just the opposite. Coffee stimulates the digestion, affects the heart and distorts the whole nervous system. Gran-O tones up the stomach, aids digestion and strengthens the nerves. There is nothing but nourishment in Gran-O. It can't be otherwise. 15 and 25c per

## CONSERVATOR APPOINTED.

Mrs. Beman was adjudged insane in the County Court Yesterday.

The inquiry into the sanity of Mrs. Ann Beman, which was in the county court yesterday afternoon, resulted in the jury returning a verdict that Mrs. Beman was insane and recommending that she be committed to the custody of her friends and that she is a fit person for an asylum. The witnesses were Dr. F. M. Anderson, Mrs. Thornhill of Harristown and some of the neighbors. Attorney J. H. Letham was appointed by the court to defend the woman and Attorney J. M. Clokey appeared for the petitioner, George Mueller, who was appointed conservator and gave bond in the sum of \$80,000. Mrs. Beman was taken to Jacksonville today.

## FOUR DOLLARS PER WEEK

Was the Amount Allowed Mrs. Nora

Wood by the Court.

The separate maintenance case of Nora Wood vs. Fred W. Wood was disposed of in the circuit court. The divorce proceedings will not be heard until the next term of court. Mills Brothers appeared for the defendant and Attorney D. D. Hill for the complainant. Rev. and Mrs. Wood of Blue Mound, the parents of the defendant, were present. The evidence was mostly in affidavits and after it had been introduced the court allowed Mrs. Wood alimony of \$1 until otherwise ordered by the court.

Another divorce case came up. It was that of Mrs. Irene Kelly vs. Clifford A. Kelly. The divorce was granted.

## HIGH SCHOOL ATHLETICS.

Arrangements Being Made to Hold the Contest in Decatur on June 16.

The members of the High School Athletic association are arranging to hold their athletic contest in this city on Friday, June 16. Invitations will be sent out to a large number of High schools in this part of the state and the contest will be for the championship of central Illinois. The Decatur boys will offer three medals, for the first, second and third prizes, and also a championship peanut. They think that they will have a large attendance.

## Corn Planting.

The corn planting in Macon county is well advanced and if the weather permits by the end of the week nearly all of the corn will be planted. The corn which has already come up looks to be in good condition. At Dalton City there was such a heavy rain that it will be impossible for the farmers to do anything in the way of planting within the next week. There is one spot of land north of Marion on which there has not yet been any rain this spring.

The first attempt at sugar beet culture of any extent in this country is being made on the big off farm near Worreensburg, where 160 acres are to be planted for the factory at Pekin. The dwelling for the superintendent of the farm has been finished and is ready for occupancy.

Insurance gasoline stove exhibit at Scovill's. Lunch served. 23-drf

## Building Notes.

The foundation for the new U. B. church at Dalton City has been laid and the frame work is now being put up. The structure will cost about \$2000.

The new Crocker and Costello elevator at Marion is nearing completion. Quite a number of workmen from Decatur are employed on the building.

The new residence of supervisor Ross Hockaday at Orenana will soon be finished. It will be one of the finest country homes in the county.

There is quite a building boom at Stowington. Some 20 or more houses are being erected.

## Will Ments, Editor.

The Republican is in receipt of a copy of the Herald, a weekly paper of four columns, four pages, published at El Paso, New Mexico, by Will Ments, formerly of Decatur. He has been a Thorne typesetting machine operator in the Decatur offices and knows a whole lot about getting up a newspaper.

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## Lieut. Johnson Relieved.

Sergeant Fullmer, who is in charge of the local recruiting office, has received word that Lieutenant Johnson, who has general supervision of the office, had been relieved and that Lieutenant Berthel of the 10th infantry would take his place. Lieutenant Johnson will join his battery of the 4th artillery, which is now stationed at Washington, D. C.

## Monarch Bicycles—easy terms.

Illinois Cutlery Co.

## McColl a Good Man.

G. W. Wait of Milau township was in the city Tuesday. He had noticed in this paper the publication of the facts concerning William McColm, the man who is now at the poor farm recovering from a peculiar spell which he suffered while in this city. McColm was unconscious for a number of days and therefore nothing could be learned of him, but now he is able to talk. Mr. Wait says that McColm worked on his place and was in the employ of a contracting ditcher named

John Reynolds and that he was an excellent man and was able to do the work of two other men. For 10 years McColm lived in Penn township, Shelby county, and then moved to Minnesota. He returned to Illinois and worked for Walter Parks, east of Monequa, and then for Mr. Wait.

## PERSONAL.

—D. W. Brenneman of Chicago is in the city on business.

—Attorney W. H. Black has returned from Champaign.

—Mrs. William Bachelor of North Church street is ill.

—Mrs. Frank Jones, who has been quite ill, is improving.

—J. M. Brownback has returned from Chicago.

—Miss Sylva Carter visited during the past week with friends in Clinton.

—Miss Fannie Ricks of Taylorville is in the city visiting Mrs. Robert L. Hunt.

—D. S. Shellabarger will go to Salina, Kansas, this evening on a business visit.

—Manager C. N. Wilcoxon of the street railway line is in Ft. Wayne, Ind.

—Mrs. Mark Shimer of Indianapolis is in the city visiting Mrs. D. A. Barrackman.

—Ira Clokey is home from Champaign university for his summer vacation.

—Mrs. William Sampson of West Green street is confined to her home with illness.

—Dr. Charles M. Wood came down from Dunning to attend the funeral of the late Dr. Moore and returned to Chicago last night.

—Drs. J. H. and O. T. Eddy have gone to Lakewood to be with their brother, J. R. Eddy, who is dangerously ill.

—Mrs. W. B. Teft of Peoria accompanied by her two sons, Victor and Ivan, is in the city visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. T. W. Douglass.

—Miss Louise Barker, who has been in the city spending the winter with her cousin, Miss Marion Barrackman, left yesterday for her home in Worthington, Ind.

—Miss Grace Moore of the High school is suffering from urticaria, presumably caused by handling poison ivy vine in her botany work at the school. She will be able to resume her work in a few days.

—Charles Falkner and bride, who were recently married and who have been visiting in the city for the past week, left yesterday for the groom's farm near Jerseyville, where they will reside.

—Mrs. Walker, wife of Judge Walker of Rushville, who is visiting her daughter, Mrs. Frank L. Stevenson, of West Main street, has been stricken with paralysis. Mrs. Walker is 73 years of age and it is feared that the attack will be serious.

—A party composed of Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Miller, Mr. and Mrs. O. B. Gorin, Mr. and Mrs. A. R. Montgomery, Miss Anderson of North Carroll, Capt. W. E. Bingham and wife, Mrs. F. D. Caldwell and Mrs. Herbert Merriweather, will leave tomorrow for a few days cutting at Mackinaw.

—Mrs. L. Baldwin and daughter Emma of 610 West Prairie avenue have gone to Nevada, Mo., where they will visit Mrs. Baldwin's son, G. B. Baldwin. Before returning home they will attend the graduating exercises at the Lindenwood college, at St. Charles, Mo., where Miss Harriet Baldwin will graduate.

—Bethesda—A Pure Water.

Bethesda Mineral Spring Water is pure, sparkling and refreshing, free from offensive odor or taste and yet is possessed of remarkable medicinal and curative powers. It has the endorsement of physicians and has won the gratitude of thousands who have been cured of Bright's Disease after having been considered as incurable. Bethesda does cure all kidney diseases. Sold in sealed half-gallon bottles. Write A. M. Jones, President Bethesda Mineral Spring Co., Waukesha, Wis.

## Woman's Club Division Officers.

The Child Study division of the Woman's club on Tuesday afternoon held the last meeting of the year and elected officers for the coming year. The officers are:

Chairman—Mrs. Eugenia Bacon.

Vice Chairman—Mrs. John Prestley.